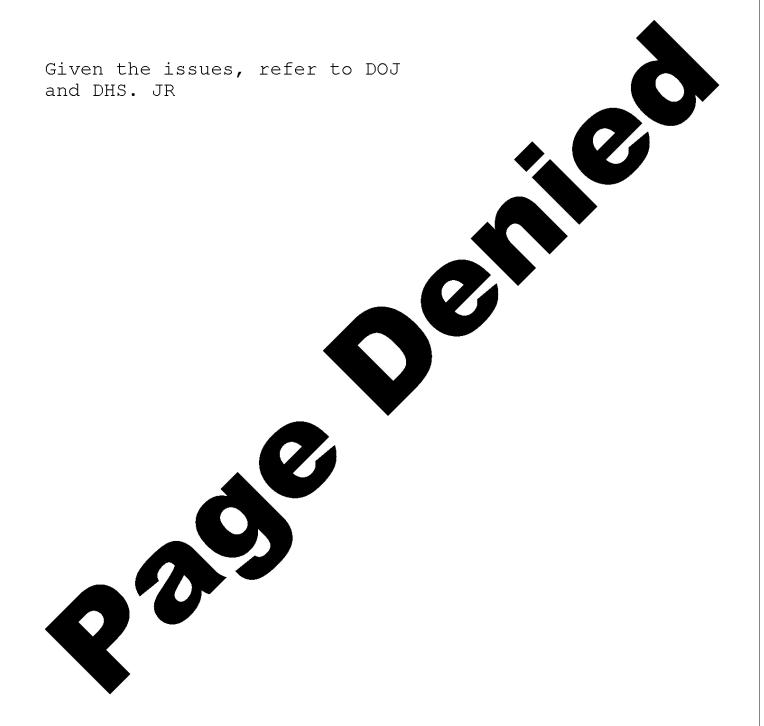
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## NATIONAL DRUG POLICY BOARD

Washington, D.C. 20530 MAY 25 1988 88-2187X/1

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FROM:

John C. Lawn, Chairman

National Drug Intelligence Committee

SUBJECT:

Summary of May 24 Meeting

TO:

National Drug Intelligence Committee

On Tuesday, May 24, 1988, Mr. David Westrate chaired, in my absence, a meeting of the National Drug Intelligence Committee. This special meeting was called to review possible legislative initiatives for a 1988 Omnibus Drug Bill.

The committee agreed that we should <u>not</u> seek legislation expanding the authorities of the intelligence agencies to collect information on U.S. citizens overseas. Rather, the committee recommended that the NDPB endorse the report of the Legal Issues Working Group; this report has been 16 months in preparation and suggests several refinements to policy and procedure that will encourage the exploitation of classified intelligence while protecting intelligence sources and methods. In the near future I will forward this request to the chairman of the NDPB.

The U.S. Customs Service suggested that we seek an amendment to the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act (FISA) that would permit application of FISA to anyone who engages in or facilitates drug trafficking. The committee did not agree to endorse the amendment without extensive review.

Mr. Westrate informed the committee that DEA's Office of Intelligence has been planning major enhancements to its

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programs to meet DEA's lead drug intelligence agency responsibilities. These enhancements will be inserted in the budget process.

Two other Policy Board tasks were distributed. The first requests a status report on the Drug Intelligence Strategy and Implementation Plan. It is due by June 17 to the NDIC Chairman. The second task is for each agency to review the Drug Intelligence chapter of the 1987 Progress Report. Please have your staff telephone Patrick Tarr (633-1071) by June 1 with your comments or concurrence.

Enclosure:

List of Attendees

cc: Mr. David Pickens

Mr. Craig Coy

